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Subject: RE: Draft Response to Just Moms STL Letter



Mark – I received a go ahead from OSWER, so if this is okay with you I will have Dana or Julia finalize.

Thank you,

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Sent: Friday, June 12, 2015 9:34 AM **To:** Hague, Mark (Hague.Mark@epa.gov)

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Subject: Draft Response to Just Moms STL Letter

Mark – below is a draft response to the June 3 letter from Just Moms STL. It has been reviewed and edited by Curtis, Alyse, Mary and Brad. I am sharing it today with Dana in HQ. If you have any other suggestions or edits, let me know. My goal would be to get this sent out Monday.

I am responding to your June 3, 2015, letter to U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Administrator Gina McCarthy regarding the West Lake Landfill Superfund site (Site). I hope you have now received my June 1, 2015, letter addressed to you and Dr.

Lois Gibbs, in which I responded to the same issues from your March 30, 2015 letter. My June 1 letter reflects the Agency's current position.

Briefly, EPA's decision to conduct a supplemental feasibility study for Operable Unit 1 was not based upon the presence of the subsurface smoldering event at the Bridgeton Landfill. EPA has chosen to more thoroughly explore other potential alternate remedies for the Site, including full and partial excavation. In addition, the Missouri Department of Health and Human Services analyzes ambient air monitoring data for the Bridgeton Landfill collected by the Missouri Department of Natural Resources and to date the state reports summarizing this analysis do not indicate that there is a potentially unacceptable risk to human health. We are continuing to work closely with the MDNR on evaluation of all air emission data and other Site-related information. Based on the information we have at this time, the EPA has determined that circumstances at the West Lake Landfill Superfund site do not currently warrant the use of permanent relocation pursuant to CERCLA authority.

Our goal is to ensure that all appropriate response actions are considered and implemented consistent with CERCLA, the National Contingency Plan and the EPA Superfund program guidance across the entire Site. We will continue to use the best scientific data available and our authorities under all federal environmental laws to protect human health and the environment.

Thank you,

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